(c) whether protests have been made by various leaders of State Government of Delhi in this regard;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Union Government on such protests; and

(e) the time by when the circular issued by the Union Government to curtail powers of State Government is likely to be withdrawn?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) The protests made, over the instructions recently issued on the definition of the word "Government" in relation to the National Capital Territory of Delhi and the amendments made to the rules relating to the transaction of business, were not based on facts. This position was suitably clarified to the Chief Minister, National Capital Territory of Delhi.

Prior Approval of Lt. Governor on Bills Tabled in Delhi Assembly

2125. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have in a recent communication directed the Delhi Government to seek approval of the Lieutenant Governor, Delhi in all administrative matters;

(b) whether it is also a fact that all Bills which would hence forth be tabled in the Delhi Assembly would require prior approval of the Lieutenant Governor;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the legal basis on which the decision has been taken to curtail the powers of a duly elected Government; and

(d) the reaction of the Delhi Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) The protests made over the instructions recently issued on the definition of the word "Government" in relation to the National Capital Territory of Delhi and the amendments made to the rules relating to the

transaction of business rules were not based on facts. This position was suitably clarified to the Chief Minister, National Capital Territory of Delhi.

Minority representation in Police Force

2126. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the representation of minorities in Police Force adequate;

(b) whether Committee has been set up to go into the representation of various communities in Police Force in the recent past; and

(c) if so, what are the details of recommendations of the Committee?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) To improve representation of minorities in Central Para-Military Forces, special efforts are made to make eligible candidates from minority communities aware of the employment opportunities in these Forces.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Citizenship to migrants from Bangladesh

2127. SHRI DRUPAD BORGOHAIN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the latest decision of the Home Ministry to grant Indian Citizenship to the Chakmas and Hajongs migrated from Bangladesh to Arunachal Pradesh;

(b) whether Government are in favour of granting Indian citizenship to them; and

(c) by when the Bill in this regard is proposed to be brought to the Parliament for consideration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) The matter is under consideration.

(c) There is no such proposal at present.